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- 25X1 1. On 17 August 1950 the former concentration camp at Oranienburg was occupied by 200 to 300 troops, most of them young MI and NCOs. They wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. No recruits were observed. Most of the troops who had been quartered in the concentration camp were out of town. 25X1

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 The troop quarters in Weisse Stadt settlement were vacant and only some AF officers were observed. There was no motor traffic. Only a guard detail of about 20 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets was in the castle as the troops who had been stationed there had left. The guard detail picked up its food at the concentration camp, using a large can and a bucket. 25X1

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 Gate guards wore red-bordered black epaulets. The units which had been quartered at the Kaiser steel mill had left. Troops were not observed in the Klinkerwerk. *

2. Military activities were observed only in the Artillerie Kaserne and the Eichhorn Kaserne in Frankfurt/Oder. The other troop quarters were quiet on 20 August 1950. 25X1

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3. Little military activity was observed at the post in Weimar on 20 August 1950.

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- * Comment. The information confirms that the component units of the 25th Tank Div had left their Oranienburg post. The units of the division were still in the Templin area for field exercises on 11 August 1950, according to another report.

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